

Hamilton Creek Metropolitan District

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Water Repairs. The current water system repair plan is to install an underground collection system from the Creek, pump the water up to the existing pump house, install a small temporary shed housing a bag filtration system, and operate the system with new electrical and control wire feeds. Initial construction is scheduled to begin about the time this billing is received. Following the installation of the electrical and control wires, the pad for the bag filtration shed will be poured. The vault needed for the Creek diversion and pumping system should be available in a couple of weeks. Weather permitting, the needed underground equipment and piping will be installed during the next month. Should this be accomplished, it is possible the remainder of the treatment system will be installed in the next few months to allow a switch over to the new water source. If winter closes in prior to the completion of the underground system, then the construction will be delayed until spring. The District hopes to replace the temporary bag filtration system with a new pump station, possibly as soon as the fall of 2003, that will house additional water storage and a micro filtration treatment system.

Water Restrictions. The water restrictions, first imposed in July, had the desired effect of lowering water usage. Thank you to all users for your compliance and efforts to conserve water. The water restrictions, prohibiting outside usage from 8 AM until sundown, continue. The current drought required restrictions to be imposed as the District system does not have the pumping capacity to provide the high volumes of water necessary for excessive outside usage. Additionally, the District's water rights tied to the Green Mountain Reservoir system where the water storage has been extremely affected by the drought. Only a substantial winter will allow the removal of the restrictions. Surprisingly, the Creek that will be used as the new water source showed some recovery from the rains received in the late summer and fall. However, conservation of our water will continue to be a long-term need of the District to insure the ability to provide quality water at all times for household usage.

Snow Removal. The District has retained Dave Collard Excavation for snow removal during the 2002/2003 winter season. Snow removal in the District includes the roads and an access plow of the driveways. The driveway plowing is a limited removal. The extent of the plowing depends on the availability of snow storage and the ease of accessing the driveway. The driveway plowing will be based on the status list used by the District at the end of last year, subject to any changes that we have been informed of. Due to the heavy equipment used for the driveway plowing, some scratching of the surface may occur. The main road plowing is the first priority and plowing of the driveways usually begins around noon.

Legal Update. The District is scheduled to return to State District Court January 7-9, 2003 for a trial on the items referred back to the Trial Court by the Appellant Court. This trial was originally scheduled for August, but was delayed. This is a continuation of the original case first filed in 1998 concerning the ability of the District to pay for the water repairs from existing revenues and to address questions concerning the interest accrual on unpaid interest after the bond is paid in 2004. The District made another settlement offer in a August 2002 mitigation hearing. However, Colorado Bondshares rejected the offer and did not offer any counter proposal. Regardless of the outcome of the case, the District will continue to operate under the cash flow provisions of the 1990 Bankruptcy Plan that set the mill levy

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